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Much Soviet Strength Laid To U.S. Errors

Researcher Cites Machine Tools As Example To Senators, Says Allen Dulles Was Fooled

Washington, Oct. 23 (AP)—A researcher who specializes in Soviet industry testified today that Russia's strength has been built up in great part by "many errors of judgment" of the United States and Western Europe.

Machine tools were cited as one example by Joseph A. Gwyer, now on leave from the Library of Congress. He said Allen Dulles, outgoing head of the Central Intelligence Agency, was fooled by Russian accomplishments in the field.

Gives Recommendations

Gwyer recommended to the Senate Internal Security subcommittee that the Western nations bar all shipments of machine tools to Communist bloc nations. And he said all aid should be denied to Yugoslavia and Poland.

The Senate group is trying to find out if strategic materials that could increase the Soviet bloc's war-making potential are being exported to Iron Curtain countries, and why. A special House subcommittee is starting closed hearings on the same subject on Wednesday.

Gwyer, while saying he was not

a machine tool expert, told the hearing he has devoted much study to Soviet industry, both for the Library of Congress and as an Army intelligence expert several years ago.

He quoted Dulles as saying in a 1959 speech that the Russians were outproducing the United States in machine tools 4 to 1.

Actually, Gwyer said, Russian and American tool output is about even.

Calls U.S. Ahead

Dulles erred, Gwyer said, by comparing Soviet production figures for all types of tools, including light ones, with United States output of only heavy industry tools.

Even a straight comparison of heavy tools is misleading, Gwyer said, because United States methods are far more productive. He estimated that this country is fifteen to twenty years ahead of Russia in machine tool technology.

Cites Recent Shipment

Citing how he believed the Western nations had helped Russia, Gwyer said before World War

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the United States helped the Soviets with steel, auto and hydroelectric plants, Germany with machine tools, Italy with shipbuilding and France with airplane production.

During the war, he said, America shipped large quantities of industrial machinery to the Russians along with military equipment.

Gwyer said a recent shipment to Russia from France of a heavy tubemaking machine was a good example of the export of a highly strategic item to the Communists.

He said America's allies in Europe have continued to ship strategic items to Russia even though the United States has refused to do so.

As for withholding aid to Yugoslavia, Gwyer said Marshal Tito is "still thoroughly interested in world-wide communism."